GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LAW AND JUSTICE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3564
ANSWERED ON:25.08.2006
REVISION RATE OF HONORARIUM
Patil Shri Balasaheb Vikhe

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) the rates of Government honorarium being given to Government Counsels in Supreme Court, High Courts and District Courts;

(b) whether the Government has revised the rate of honorarium/fee to Government Counsels;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether Government is planning to hike and revise the rate of honorarium to Government Counsels;

(e) if so, by when; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI K. VENKATAPATHY):

(a) The details indicating the fee payable to counsel of different Courts are given in the enclosed statement-I, II.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does notarise.

(d) The Government has moved a proposal to rationalize the fee structure of Counsel of High Courts so as to bring it at par with the fee structure of Counsel of Bombay High Court and Calcutta High Court. There is no proposal to revise the rates of fee of Counsel of Supreme Court and District Court.

(e) The proposal for rationalization of fee structure of Counsel of High Courts has been sent to the Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure.

(f) The present rates of fee of Counsel of Supreme Court and District Court are reasonable.